Amendments to the Claims:

- 1. (Previously Presented): A N-radiohaloaryl-alkylcarboxamide radioligand wherein the alkyl moiety thereof is a cyclohexane radical, the radioligand having a high affinity to TRP-M8 receptors in cells and tissues and having a specific activity of at least about 20 Ci/mmol or greater, wherein the TRP-M8 affinity is characterized by a Kd of about 1 x 10⁻⁵ or less.
- 2. (Previously Presented): The radioligand as in claim 1 wherein the radiohalo moiety is covalently bound in the molecule.
- 3. (Previously Presented): The radioligand as in claim 2 wherein the radiohalo moiety is selected from fluoride and iodide radionuclides.
- 4. (Previously Presented): The radioligand as in claim 3 wherein the specific activity is about 250 Ci/mmol or greater.
- 5. (Previously Presented): The radioligand as in claim 1 wherein the cyclohexane radical contains from 1 to 3 $C_1 C_5$ normal or branched alkyl substituents.
- 6. Cancelled.
- 7. (Previously Presented): The radioligand as in claim 1 wherein the aryl moiety is a substituted aromatic radical represented by Y-, the substituents being

represented by R₁, R₂, and X, wherein

 $\mathbf{R_1}$ is selected from the group hydrogen, hydroxyl, $C_1 - C_3$ alkoxy, $C_1 - C_3$ carboxyalkyl, $C_1 - C_3$ oxycarbonylalkyl,

 $\mathbf{R_2}$ is selected from the group hydrogen, hydroxyl, $\mathbf{C_1} - \mathbf{C_3}$ alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, nitro, cyano, halo, and

X is selected from the group [18 F]-, [123 I]-, [125 I]-, and [131 I]-.

- 8. Cancelled.
- 9. Cancelled.
- 10. Cancelled.
- 11. (Previously Presented): A composition comprising a N-radiohaloaryl-alkylcarboxamide of Formula 1:

Formula 1

R-CONH-Y

where (a) \mathbf{R} is a cyclohexane radical_containing from 1 to 3 $C_1 - C_5$ normal or branched alkyl substituents, and (b) \mathbf{Y} is a substituted aromatic radical containing substituents $\mathbf{R_1}$, $\mathbf{R_2}$, and \mathbf{X} , wherein

 $\mathbf{R_1}$ is selected from the group hydrogen, hydroxyl, C_1 – C_3 alkoxy, C_1 – C_3 carboxyalkyl, C_1 – C_3 oxycarbonylalkyl,

 $\mathbf{R_2}$ is selected from the group hydrogen, hydroxyl, C_1 – C_3 alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, nitro, cyano, halo, and

X is selected from the group $[^{18}\mathrm{F}]\text{-},\,[^{123}\mathrm{I}]\text{-},\,[^{125}\mathrm{I}]\text{-},\,\text{and}\,[^{131}\mathrm{I}]\text{-}.$

- 12. (Previously Presented): The composition as in claim 11 wherein the cyclohexane radical of (a) contains 8-12 carbon atoms and the total number of carbon atoms in the alkyl substituents carbons are from 1 to 5.
- 13. (Previously Presented): The composition as in claim 12 wherein the carboxamide group is in an equatorial position relative to the plane of the <u>cyclohexyl</u>ring.